Capitalizing on Business Opportunities in Hawaii

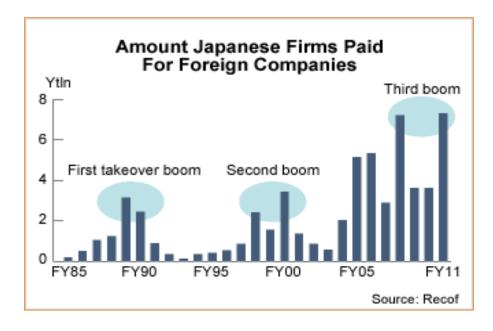
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Japanese Companies Are Increasing Overseas Investments

- Shrinking population constrains long-term domestic economic growth potential
- Japanese companies generate significant cash flow but have limited domestic investment opportunities
- Yen under pressure
- Strategic importance of increasing proportion of assets outside Japan
- JBIC loans to Japanese companies for financing overseas M&A





Corporate Growth Strategies

Organic Growth

Opportunities limited

A&M

Expensive, management intensive

Innovation

- Difficult for corporates
- Alternative model needed

Innovation & Entrepreneurship



US Corporates have Adapted M&A Strategies to Focus on Innovation & Entrepreneurship

Acquiring Innovators

Secondment to **Entrepreneurial** Companies

Venture Investing to **Expand Markets**



"I'm willing to acquire a company that might not have a lot of revenue, but has a lot of innovation. ... We'll take innovation any way you can give it to us."

-Marc Benioff, CEO

Forbes, 8/14/13



"We want to really understand, to feel that entrepreneurial spirit that drives every single person working at the startup."

Innovation & Emerging Technology

-Ed Kaczmarek, Director of



"As a corporate VC, we can simply bring more to the table. From our experience in mobile technology, industry insights and technical guidance, ... we leverage our know-how to help bring breakthrough ideas to market."

-Qualcomm Ventures

Wall Street Journal, 3/26/13

CB Insights, 9/23/14

Hawaii is Ideal Location for Initiatives in Innovation and Entrepreneurship



- First-world economy, manageable scale
- Innovation infrastructure
- Cultural alignment



Partnerships in Energy Innovation



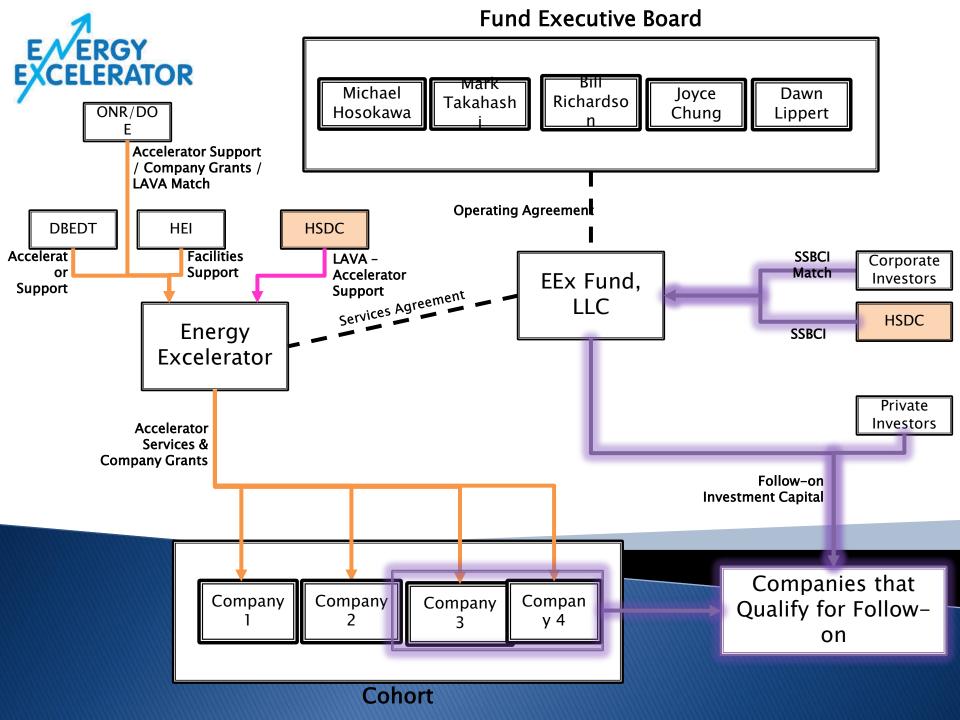














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